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#### VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

Charles M. Denton, Esquire Varnum, Riddering, Schmidt & Howlett, L.L.P. Bridgewater Place 333 Bridge Street, N.W. Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504

Re: United States v. City of Albion, Michigan,

Civ. No. 1:97-CV-1037 (W.D. Mich.) -

Stipulation/Order for Extension of Time for the United States

to Respond to City of Albion's First Discovery Requests.

Dear Mr. Denton:

Enclosed is an original of the above-referenced Stipulation/Order extending the time in which the United States may respond to the City of Albion's discovery requests to March 27, 1998.

As we discussed by telephone yesterday, it is my understanding that you will execute the Stipulation/Order and deliver the executed original to Francesca Ferguson, Assistant United States Attorney for the Western District of Michigan, 333 Ionia Ave., N.W., Suite 501, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503, for her signature and filing with the Clerk of Court on or before March 5, 1998 in the above-referenced action.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter. If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

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#### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, |                                 |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Plaintiff,                |                                 |
| v.                        | ) Civil Action No. 1:97-CV-1037 |
| CITY OF ALBION, MICHIGAN, | ) HON. DAVID W. McKEAGUE        |
| Defendant.                | )                               |
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# STIPULATION AND ORDER FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THE UNITED STATES TO RESPOND TO CITY OF ALBION'S FIRST DISCOVERY REQUESTS

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(b), Plaintiff, United States of America, has requested and counsel for Defendant, City of Albion, has agreed to an extension of time through and including March 27, 1998, within which to respond to Defendant's First Set of Interrogatories, First Request for Production of Documents and First Requests for Admissions. The additional time is necessary for Plaintiff to compile documents and information responsive to Defendant's discovery. This agreement for an extension of time was entered into prior to the expiration of the time for service of Plaintiff's response to Defendant's discovery as provided by the Fed. R. Civ. P.

Respectfully submitted,

FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

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#### ORDER

At a session of said Court held in the Federal Building, City of Grand Rapids, County of Kent, State of Michigan, this \_\_\_\_ day of March, 1998.

PRESENT: HONORABLE DAVID W. McKEAGUE U.S. District Judge

IT IS SO ORDERED in accordance with the above Stipulation.

Honorable David W. McKeague U.S. District Judge



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